

# Vision

**SR 161, the backbone of a safe, efficient and pleasant transportation system, promotes a diverse system of mobility, preserves the integrity of the rural landscape, and serves the needs of our community and visitors.**

## Goals and Objectives

### **Goal A: Improve safety on the route**

- Provide long sight lines, turn lanes and wide shoulders whenever possible
- Maximize distances between public access points
- Promote pedestrian safety
- Provide adequate hazard signing
- Provide guard rail in critical locations
- Improve fog-line striping
- Ensure the use of consistent and uniform highway standards

### **Goal B: Promote efficient travel time**

- Promote through traffic movement by providing turn lanes and passing lanes in critical locations
- Control the number and frequency of access points to the highway
- Explore opportunities to use Intelligent Transportation System technology on the route.
- Promote the use and development of alternate modes of transportation through cooperation with other agencies whenever possible.
- Limit the use of traffic signals

### **Goal C: Preserve the integrity of the distinctive rural landscape**

- Identify areas or locations of scenic interest on the route and provide scenic pullouts
- Preserve and plant native plants in the right of way
- Promote and encourage cooperation between agencies to develop land use and transportation policies that preserve and enhance the rural landscape

### **Goal D: Serve the needs of our communities and visitors**

- Provide informational signing for attractions on the route, “scenic” locations, and historic/interpretive markers
- Provide a Rest Area on the route.
- Consider pursuit of designation as a State Scenic & Recreational Highway
- Ensure fire and law enforcement personnel can respond promptly and safely to emergencies in the area.